with officials from Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi and all concerned agencies, where preparedness for meeting the power demand in Delhi during ensuing summer season was reviewed. The peak demand during the summer months has been anticipated in the range of 3300 MW to 3700 MW. Besides the allocation of 280 MW from unallocated quota of central generating stations during peak period for the ensuing summer to Delhi by the Government of India, Delhi Transco Limited (DTL) have also made arrangements for adequate availability of power to meet the summer demand, which *inter-alia* include maximization of generation from Delhi's power plants, purchase of 100 MW from Eastern Region, 80 MW to 440 MW from Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board and 50% of 330 MW frosn Government of Himachal Pradesh's share in Nathpa Jhakri Hydro Electric Project on a bilateral basis.

Financial support for Renovation and Modernisation of Thermal Power Plants in Assam

4450. SHRI URKHAO GWRA BRAHMA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) which thermal plants of Assam have received financial support through APDP/PFC for renovation and modernization so far;

(b) how many sick power plants have been listed for their revival and whether the Ministry has contemplated any financial policy to assist State Government to make operational all such power plants;

(c) whether there is any Moll with the Government of Assam in power sector; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) Financial Assistance has been provided by Power Financce Corporation (PFC) under Accelerated Generation & Supply Programme (AG&SP) for the following thermal power plants in Assam:—

SI. No	Name of Project	Amount sanctioned (Rs. Crore)	Amount Disbursed (Rs. Crore)
1.	Renovation & Modernization (R&M) of Lakwa Thermal Power Station (TPS) (Unit 1 to 7)	53.35	50.78
2.	R&M of Namrup TPS (Unit 1 to 6)	30.30	27.76
3.	Short term R&M of Namrup TPS	13.00	00.00
4.	Residual Life Assessment (RLA)/Life Extension (LE) of Bongaigaon TPS (Unit (1 to 4)	2.18	00.00
5.	R&M of Chandrapur TPS (Unit 1)	1.67	1.67

During 2000-01, an amount of Rs. 4.20 Crore has been released to Government of Assam under Accelerated Power Development Programme (APDP).

The APDP Scheme has since been revised and renamed as Accelerated Power Development and Reforms Programme (APDRP). From 2001-02 till date, an amount of Rs. 158.85 Crdres has been released to Government of Assam against the sanctioned amount of Rs. 655.90 Crores under the Programme.

(b) Two units of Bongaigaon and one unit of Namrup Thermal Power Stations have been identified fro revival during 10th Plan. Assam State Electricity Board can avail of loan assistance from Power Finance Corporation (PFC) under AG&SP at concessional rate of interest.

(c) and (d) A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has ben entered into between Ministry of Power, Government of India, and Government of Assam on 26th March, 2001 for implementing reforms in the power sector to provide good quality power, to achieve commercial vaibility in power sector; to set up State Electricity Regulatory Commission, to unbundled the State Electricity Board. Government of India would provide assistance under Accelerated Power Development Programme (APDP), financial assistance through PFC and strengthening and improvement in the transmission network.